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# **Community Solar - A New Dimension in Solar Markets.**

# A Ballard Spahr webinar on October 1, 2015 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET

More than 15 states have passed legislation encouraging the development of community solar projects, and more states are considering such legislation. Community solar projects expand access to renewable energy by allowing multiple residential, commercial or industrial electric customers to invest in or subscribe to one central solar energy project and offset their electric usage or charges–through virtual net metering–based on their share of the solar energy generated by the project.

While the "traditional" solar model generally requires direct home or business premise ownership, access, or control, community solar removes this obstacle. Community solar projects can be located in a variety of places, whether ground-mounted on open land, or installed on the roof of a commercial or government building or a community center.

An immense amount of development, finance, and M&A activity is underway in the community solar space. Please join us for a webinar where you will hear from key industry players who are directly involved in creating and financing community solar programs and projects and managing the associated regulatory and legal issues.

### Speakers for the webinar include:

- John Mi, director, Structured Finance, NRG Energy Inc. John has more than six years of experience in solar and wind project financing and energy market analysis, with \$180 million of investments closed to date. He leads the origination and structuring of financing for NRG's community solar deals.
- Marie Steele, manager, Electric Vehicles & Renewable Energy, NV Energy Inc. (a Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company). Marie is in charge of the utility's electric vehicle program and the "subscription solar" pilot program recently filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada.
- Rick Umoff, Counsel and Regulatory Affairs Manager of State Affairs, Solar Energy Industries
  Association. Rick provides legal and regulatory support for SEIA on matters throughout the United
  States.
- Martin Mobley, CEO, United States Solar Corporation (US Solar). Marty manages the origination, development, and financing of US Solar's offsite solar assets and is the former head of the Solar Desk within Morgan Stanley's Commodities division.
- R. Thomas Hoffmann, (moderator) Practice Group Leader, Ballard Spahr's Energy and Project Finance Group.

As part of this webinar we will also take your questions in advance. Our panel will address your questions on community solar proposals, projects and the associated regulatory and legal issues. Please let us know what questions you would like our panel to answer by typing them into the boxes at the bottom of the registration form. We encourage you to submit up to three questions.

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#### **REGISTER**

#### MODERATOR

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This program is open to Ballard Spahr clients and members of the energy industry. There is no cost to attend. This program is not eligible for continuing education credits.

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